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C O N F I D E N T I A L KHARTOUM 2725

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, SU

SUBJECT: PEACE PILLAR LAO PRESENTATION AND PAYMENT PROCEDURE

REF: A. KHARTOUM 2592, B. STATE 186805

1. BEFORE WE HAD OPPORTUNITY DISCUSS REF B WITH SUDANGOV, DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF, MAJ/GEN ABDUL MAJID KHALIL INFORMED US AT MEETING HE REQUESTED AUGUST 15, THAT SUDANGOV HAD TURNED OVER FOUR COPIES PEACE PILLAR (C-130) LAO TO SAUDI MINDEFENSE SULTAN WHO WILL SIGN AND FORWARD THEM TO USG. GEN MAJID INDICATED PROCEDURE HAD BEEN WORKED OUT AT HEAD OF STATE LEVEL WHEN NIMEIRI VISITED SAUDI ARABIA WEEK AGO. MOREOVER, THIS METHOD OF PAYMENT, I.E. DIRECTLY BY SAG TO COUNTRY PROVIDING EQUIPMENT, IS APPARENTLY STANDARD PROCEDURE FOR BOTH SIDES FOR OBVIOUS REASONS.

2. COMMENT: RECOGNIZE METHOD OF PAYMENT DESIRED BY SAUDIS AND SUDANESE IS EXACTLY OPPOSITE WHAT DEPT SUGGESTS PARA 3 REF B. RECOGNIZE AS WELL PROCEDURE DESIRED BY SAUDIS AND SUDANESE MIGHT POSE SERIOUS PROBLEMS FOR USG. HOWEVER, CONFIDENTIAL

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THIS DOES CONFIRM THAT SAUDIS WILL FINANCE PURCHASE C-130S IRRESPECTIVE OF ANY SPECIFIC AMOUNT OF MONEY SAG MAY HAVE PROVIDED FOR GENERAL MILITARY PURCHASES BY SUDANESE. MOREOVER, SINCE PROCEDURE WAS DEVELOPED AT HEAD OF STATE LEVEL, IT WOULD REQUIRE HIGH-LEVEL DEMARCHE BY USG WITH BOTH GOVERNMENTS TO CHANGE WHAT FOR THEM IS PREFERRED MANNER OF PAYMENT. I SAW NO VALUE TO GETTING INTO THIS WITH GEN

MAJID; HE IS TOO JUNIOR TO BE ABLE MAKE DECISIONS ON SUCH FINANCIAL QUESTIONS.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: IF DEPT BELIEVES SUCH A DEMARCHE REQUIRED, WOULD APPRECIATE INSTRUCTIONS SOONEST SINCE I NOW EXPECT SEE NIMEIRI THURSDAY, AUGUST 18, WHEN GEN JAGGERS AND MEMBERS SURVEY TEAM CALL ON HIM.  
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